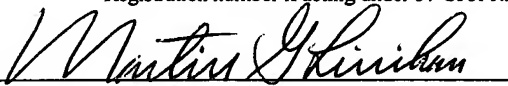


<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> <b>FY 2005</b> (Fees pursuant to Consolidated Appropriations Act. (H.R. 4818).)		Docket Number (Optional) 035643.00005
Application Number 10/662,079		Filed September 12, 2003
Method For Controlling Explosions In Open Mines		
Art Unit 3663	Examiner D. L. Green	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.		
The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):		
	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60 \$_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225 \$ <u>450.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510 \$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795 \$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080 \$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>08-2442</u> . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.		
<b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b>		
I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.		
<input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.		
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number <u>24,926</u>		
<input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a).		
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a). _____		
 Signature	<u>March 10, 2006</u> Date	
<u>Martin G. Linihan</u> Typed or Printed Name	<u>716-848-1367</u> Telephone Number	
NOTE: Signature of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Total of _____ forms are submitted.		

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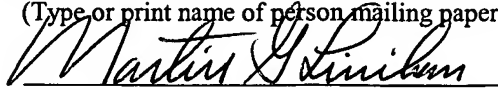
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